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Patent Application Serial No. 10/589,129AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended): A drying heat pump apparatus comprising:  
~~a heat pump apparatus in which a refrigerant is circulated through a compressor, a radiator, a first throttle apparatus, a heat exchanger, a second throttle apparatus and an evaporator in this order;~~  
~~— a circulation duct through which drying air is circulated and in which said radiator, said heat exchanger and said evaporator are disposed in this order from an upstream side of flow of the drying air, and~~  
a compressor for compressing a refrigerant;  
a circulation duct for circulating drying air therein;  
a radiator, disposed inside said circulation duct, for condensing the refrigerant to heat the drying air;  
an evaporator, disposed inside said circulation duct, for evaporating the refrigerant to absorb heat from the drying air;  
a throttle apparatus for controlling the refrigerant pressure;  
a heat exchanger, disposed inside said circulation duct, for functioning as another radiator for condensing the refrigerant to heat the drying air or as another evaporator for evaporating the refrigerant to absorb heat from the drying air, depending on the refrigerant pressure controlled by said throttle apparatus; and  
a drying room, connected to said circulation duct thus constituting a circulatory path for the drying air, for offering a space to place a subject to be dried.

